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WHITNEY'S RACE HORSES.

Effort Will Be Made to Keep the Stable
Intact.

(Associated Press.)
New York, March 4.—Harry Paine Whitney will continue practically intact the racing stable of his father, according to the Tribune. The thoroughbreds probably will, until the usual period of mourning shall have passed, be entered in the name of Frank B. Hirschcock. This, it is understood, was the desire expressed by Mr. Whitney during his last illness. Direct announcement of the plans has not been made because the stable, being an asset of the estate, could only be retained as an asset, by the consent of all the heirs. The latter will meet shortly. Should any heir object to the retention of any part of the stable, this must be settled. In this case Harry P. Whitney, it is stated, will bid in the animals.

UNION OF CHURCHES.

Proposal to Unite Presbyterians, Methodists and Congregationalists in Canada is Favored.

(Associated Press.)
Toronto, March 4.—"Should Presbyterians, Methodists and Congregationalists of Canada unite to form one church?" was the question discussed at an informal conference of representative ministers and laymen of these churches held here yesterday. The answer to the question, according to a resolution of the conference, was in the affirmative, and the question of organic union of these three denominations will in consequence be read in a formal way and with practical ends in view.

WILL SETTLE IN ALBERTA.

More Than Four Hundred Families Are
Coming From Utah.

(Associated Press.)
Winnipeg, March 4.—Another great trek of Mormons from Utah to Southern Alberta is about to take place. Between four and five hundred families, exceeding 2,000 persons, will invade Alberta with their live stock, farm implements and household effects. The district in which they will locate is known as Tabor, about twenty miles square on the Crow's Nest Pass railway. Preparations are now under way to receive the newcomers, who are due to arrive about the middle of April. The Tabor district is said to be well favored with respect to moisture and climatic conditions generally.

SANITARIUM NEAR CALGARY.

Dr. Wills to Erect Institution For Treatment of Tuberculosis.

(Associated Press.)
Winnipeg, March 4.—Plans have been prepared and a ten-acre site secured a mile from the centre of Calgary, for a sanitarium for the treatment of tuberculosis. Dr. Wills is establishing the institution. The building will cost \$10,000.

MRS. DAVIDSON DEAD.

Winnipeg, March 4.—The death occurred yesterday of Mrs. Davidson, wife of W. M. Davidson, proprietor of the Alberta newspaper, Calgary, after six weeks' illness. She was a daughter of the late Rev. Dr. James Robertson, of the Presbyterian missions, and was a graduate of Toronto University in 1894.

RUSSIAN SQUADRON MAY SOON ATTACK JAPANESE

**A Decisive Move Expected to Follow Arrival of Markoff--Torpedo
Boats to Take Prominent Part--Landing of Troops at
Chinnampo Will Expedite Advance.**

(Associated Press.)

Paris, March 4.—Information received here from official sources in Korea confirms previous reports to the effect that Chinnampo is free from ice, that the Japanese have ceased debarking troops at Chinnampo and that they have taken advantage of the opening of Chinnampo to land troops there, thus expediting the forward movement.

Official advices from St. Petersburg confirm the reports that a decisive move is anticipated on the part of the Port Arthur squadron now that Admiral Markoff has arrived here, that torpedo boats especially will be brought into play, and that in spite of reports to the contrary, Russia is understood to have a single supply of torpedoes for these craft.

to build a torpedo boat to be named Post Telegraph.

A resident of St. Petersburg, who has just arrived here from Port Arthur, says that the day before the Japanese attack, tells an interesting story, which seems to indicate that the Japanese planned to attack the harbor before firing a shot.

He says that on the day of his departure a big merchantman, flying the Japanese flag, approached the entrance and in the narrowest part of the channel suddenly stopped, signified "I am sinking" and commenced to settle. Luckily a tug with steam up was close by, and towed the Japanese vessel into a shallow part of the outer harbor. The merchantman was hoisted with iron. The captain declared he had been caught in a storm and the pumps, which had kept the steamer afloat, broke down just as the

clared that the Japanese had already landed at Yin Kow, and that another place would be taken.

On February 7th the Japanese began leaving Port Arthur. Upon orders from the vicar, those remaining on February 9th were detained, about 100 of them being rounded up at the hotel.

M. Arkoun had been informed that Chinese would begin celebrating the New Year by setting off fireworks and shooting guns, so when firing was heard for the first time it was supposed to be the Chinese celebration. The warships had cleared their decks, but even this did not occasion alarm. It was not until the 10th that the ordinary course of events was interrupted. That day firing caused a panic among the people. All business was suspended. It was rumored about the town that an explosion had occurred on board one of the



THE EYES OF THE JAPANESE ARMY--CAVALRY SCOUTING.

TRANSPORTS SIGHTED.

Escorted by Cruisers They Are Proceeding Towards Gulf of Liao Tung.

New York, March 4.—Six Japanese cruisers, escorted ten transports, have been sighted steaming in the direction of the Gulf of Liao Tung, according to a cable to the Herald, from Chefoo. This movement is connected with the reported intention to effect a landing north of Saddle Bay. Owing to the heavy weather, it is difficult to proceed. A big battle is expected.

CALLING OUT RESERVES.

Preparations to Mobilize the Whole of Russian Army if Necessary.

St. Petersburg, March 4.—An imperial order has been issued summoning the reserve subalterns and first class reserve of European Russia to the colors for a six weeks' course of training. A similar order has been issued to the naval reserves. This is interpreted as indicating that everything is being got ready for the mobilization of the whole Russian army if necessary. The St. Petersburg post office employees are starting a fund

entrance of Port Arthur was reached.

The wife of a Russian naval officer attached to the armored cruiser Rossia, who has just arrived here from Vladivostok, described the scene there at the outbreak of hostilities. At 8 o'clock in the morning of February 9th a shot was fired by the flagship and signals were hoisted calling all seamen and others who were on shore leave to come on board.

There was great excitement and enthusiasm amongst the people in the streets. The warship harbor was surrounded with ice, and crowds gathered about them watching the ships receive their war colors and cheered as the ice-breaker opened a channel. At 2 o'clock in the afternoon headed by the Rossia and accompanied by the hurras of the people gathered on the ice the fleet steamed out.

THE FIRST ATTACK.

Panic Among the Inhabitants at Port Arthur--Cannon Drafted Into Service.

Moscow, March 4.—M. Arkoun, an actor, who has returned here from Port Arthur, was an eye-witness of events there prior to his departure. The Japanese landings on February 3rd de-

Japanese vessels.

During the bombardment the wind blew towards the forts and consequently the smoke from the guns interfered with the sight of the Russians.

It was rumored in Port Arthur, and believed, that the Japanese had landed at Port Dalny and that they would attack Port Arthur by land. The cabinet at Port Arthur had been drafted into the military service.

It was rumored, he continued, that two Japanese had been caught trying to blow up a railway tunnel at Sunchin. Every train out of Port Arthur was accompanied by a strong guard.

RELATIONS IMPROVED.

Suspicious Entertained by Russia Regarding Britain's Attitude Cleared Away.

Paris, March 4.—To the gratification of France better relations between Russia and Great Britain are promised as the result of the visit of the Russian ambassador in London to St. Petersburg. Official advices from St. Petersburg show that the ambassador's representations cleared away many suspicions entertained by the Russian authorities. Russia does not desire unfriendly rela-

tions with Great Britain. She therefore met the British government half way, and it is understood that the ambassador was charged with the most conciliatory message by the Czar.

This new phase of the situation has given rise to a feeling in official and diplomatic circles that it will be possible after all to end the Far Eastern war to Russia and Japan. The regretted action of various European countries in arming is not considered as having any other bearing than preparation for eventualities which, in the present optimistic frame of mind of the authorities, are not likely to come to pass. There is doubt in official circles regarding the policy of Germany toward Russia. Advices received here indicate that Germany assured Russia that France inspired the recent note of the United States Secretary of State regarding Chinese neutrality, while France claims, and Russia is satisfied, that Germany made the first suggestion to the United States.

KOUROPATKIN'S DEPARTURE.

Will Start For the Front on March 12th, Going by Special Train.

Paris, March 4.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Echo De Paris says



GEN. KOUROPATKIN.
Who Will Start For the Front on March 12th.

that when Gen. Kouropatkin starts for the Far East on March 12th, he will go in a special train, and be accompanied by part of his staff. It is reported, the correspondent continues, that the Czar said to him: "You will return a field marshal." There has not been a field marshal in Russia since Count Gurko.

LETTER FROM CZAR.

Russian Ambassador Brought Reply to the King From St. Petersburg.

London, March 4.—The Russian ambassador, Count Benckendorff, who returned to London from St. Petersburg on Wednesday, today visited King Edward and presented His Majesty with an autograph letter from the Czar. This was in answer to a letter sent by King Edward in which, in the most friendly terms, he emphasized Great Britain's complete neutrality during the war in the Far East, and he trusted that the Czar would pay no attention to the press reports intimating Great Britain was not neutral nor to any unfriendly comments of the English papers, which the King regretted.

PAPERS WARNED.

Must Not Publish Bitter Anti-British Articles.

New York, March 4.—A special from St. Petersburg to the Herald, says that in connection with Count Benckendorff's recent departure from London, local newspapers, especially the Xosok Vremya, had been seriously warned against harmful and bitter anti-British articles, which they have been in the habit of publishing.

STATES AND RUSSIA.

Washington Government's Change of Attitude Hailed With Satisfaction.

St. Petersburg, March 4.—The Russian press hails with satisfaction the American dispatches of the last few days indicating a change in the disposition of the Washington government towards Russia. The Bourse Gazette and the Novoe Vremya this morning discuss in a sober fashion Russo-American relations, and the danger of permanent estrangement. The Gazette says there is something profoundly regrettable in the present relations between these two powers.

MANCHURIA.

If Japs Are Victorious Russia Will Be Prevented From Assuming a Dominant Attitude.

New York, March 4.—A special from London to the World says it is understood that if the Japanese are successful in Manchuria, steps will be taken to guard against the possibility of Russia again assuming a dominant attitude in that portion of China. The idea of Russia policing the railroad, for example, will no longer be entertained. There was a clause in the original concession under which China was to have the right to purchase the entire line and its rolling stock, after a term of years. It is said that with full control of the country China will buy the road.

EXODUS CONTINUES.

Inhabitants Leaving Vladivostok--No Japanese Warships Sighted Since February 25th.

Vladivostok, March 4.—All is quiet here. No Japanese warships have been seen since February 25th, when three

TRADE BETWEEN MEXICO AND CANADA

**WOULD BE DEVELOPED
BY STEAMSHIP LINE**

**Negotiations Are Now in Progress for
Establishing a Monthly Steam-
er Service.**

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, March 4.—It is learned in official quarters that negotiations are under way for the establishing of a monthly steamship service between Canadian and a port in Mexico. This is the result of the recent visit of Sir William Mulock to Mexico and interviews he had with President Diaz. The trade between Canada and Mexico is at present very small, and must necessarily remain this way unless some means of communication is established between the countries. If a steamship line was secured between a point in Mexico and Canada, there is no doubt a large trade between them would be the result. There are many things that Mexico wants from the Dominion, and the Dominion in return requires many things that Mexico probably be secured in Mexico. Sir William Mulock has very appropriately been called "the man who does things."

Mineral Production.

The mineral production of the Dominion for the year 1903 is placed at \$33,226,510, or about half a million below the yield of 1902 and three million less than in 1901. There is a shrinkage of \$2,254,000 in the output of the Yukon placer gold fields. The gold output of the Yukon was \$12,250,000.

Purchased Models.

Tenders for some 25,000 old patent models were opened at the agricultural department yesterday. There were nine tenders in all. The successful tenderer was T. G. Brigham, of Ottawa, who gets the models for \$800.

PREDICTS REVOLUTION.

Trouble May Break Out in Mexico If Confiscated Lands Are Returned to Church.

(Associated Press.)

New York, March 4.—A dispatch from Tezcuca, Mexico, to the Herald says Mexico is on the eve of a revolution, according to Col. H. H. Thompson, who has just returned from that country. He bases the belief on the opinions of men who are on the inside of Mexican politics and who stand high with the government.

Col. Thompson says the prospective revolution is dependent upon President Diaz giving the reins of government to Limantour, his present secretary of war, whom he proposes to make his vice-president. "Limantour is a sympathizer of the church," said Col. Thompson today. "The belief prevails that Limantour will return to the church, and this will be a signal for a revolution."

TO MEET AT BALTIMORE.

Christian Endeavor Convention Will Be Held in That City Next Year as Arranged.

(Associated Press.)

Baltimore, Md., March 4.—The committee of arrangements for the International Christian Endeavor convention, to be held in this city next year, has decided that the recent fire does not warrant a change of the convention from Baltimore to some other city. Arrangements are being made to entertain 20,000 delegates from all over the world.

REBELS ROUTED.

Defeated by Uruguayan Troops They Fled, Leaving Dead and Wounded on Field.

(Associated Press.)

Montevideo, Uruguay, March 4.—Gen. Muniz, commander of the Uruguayan forces, has routed the troops of the revolutionary leader at Punta de Quinchico. The rebels fled, abandoning a number of killed and wounded.

FOUND SHOT.

Youth Killed By Accidental Discharge of Gun While Out Hunting.

(Associated Press.)

Morrisburg, Que., March 4.—James Styles, 18 years old, was found dead in the woods with a charge of buckshot in his breast. He was out fox hunting, and it is supposed the gun accidentally discharged.

SINGULAR MISHAP.

(Associated Press.)

St. Catharines, March 4.—E. J. Lovelace, of the Journal, while trying to shoot rats in his barn yesterday, slipped and fell, a bullet from the revolver lodging in his arm. The doctors so far are unable to locate the bullet. Mr. Lovelace is the Liberal candidate for the House of Commons for Lincoln county.

EARTHQUAKE IN PERU.

(Associated Press.)

Lima, Peru, March 4.—A tremendous earthquake, which did much damage, occurred here at 5.20 this morning. Nothing comparable with it has been experienced during the last thirty years.

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MORE JAPS FOR NORTHERN KOREA

FIFTEEN THOUSAND TROOPS ON WAY TO PING YANG

Cold Weather Prevents Any Attempts to Occupy Territory in Vicinity of Dally.

London, March 4.—The general idea among correspondents in the Far East appears to be that no important land battle is expected before the end of March.

A dispatch to the Daily Express from Chungking, dated March 2nd, says that 15,000 Japanese troops have landed at Wanshan and gone to Ping Yang.

A Harbin correspondent of the Daily Chronicle writes that 40,000 Japanese have landed at Wonsan.

The Shanghai correspondent of the Daily Telegraph asserts that three separate Japanese armies have landed in Korea.

Nothing in any of these reports is improbable, but it is evident that Japan is maintaining strict secrecy as to her plans.

Under date of March 3rd, a Chefoo correspondent of the Daily Telegraph says that, although Japan has lost a small cruiser and that the machinery of two of her warships has been damaged, these have probably been repaired, and in any event Japan has complete command of the sea and will resume her naval movements, the landing of Japanese troops at the best strategic positions and the occupation of territory near Port Dally as soon as the winter moderates.

He predicts that having crossed the Yalu, one army of the Japanese will threaten Kirin, cutting the railroad and menacing Vladivostok while the second force deals with the Liao Tung peninsula.

According to the Chefoo correspondent of the Morning Post, a Japanese battleship has run aground near Chemulpo.

Refugees from Port Arthur, the Nagasaki correspondent of the Times writes, "believe there were thirty thousand troops there in the middle of February. They report that the ten thousand Russian troops who were dispatched to Korea before the beginning of February were ill-equipped with transport and supplies that it was thought they would be compelled to return. They say also that the Russians treated the Japanese at Port Arthur so brutally that they fled to the sea shore, embarked in small boats and endeavored to reach Port Dally. Several were drowned."

Confident of Result.

St. Petersburg, March 4.—The government is badly puzzled at the apparent disappearance of the Japanese squadron, which has been reported to have been destroyed in the vicinity of the Yalu are strong enough to control the points of vantage with the enemy and are placing a great deal of dependence in the strong force of cavalry which General Leewitch has available for service. It will endeavor to cut the Japanese line of communication and generally harass them without actually participating in a general engagement. The main reliance of the Russian commander will be on his infantry, and he will use the cavalry as an auxiliary and to follow up any advantage that may be gained.

In reply to a telegram sent to him by General Bogdanovich, General Alexoff says: "Your message has strengthened our unalterable determination to fight until the death for faith, the Czar and the country."

Report Heavy Losses.

Vladivostok, March 3.—It is reported here that a Japanese steamer, the name of which is not known, was sunk in the Sea of Japan on February 25th while on her way to Wonsan with a load of rice.

Witnesses of the naval fight at Port Arthur have just arrived here. They declare that the losses of the Japanese up to February 25th were greater than has been admitted in foreign newspapers. In addition to five steamers sunk they say that five torpedo boat destroyers, one gunboat and two torpedo boats were put out of action and several others damaged that they will require extensive repairs.

Depend on Land Force.

Yin Kow, March 3.—The Russo-Chinese bank is closing preparatory to

removing to Mukden. Women and children are preparing to leave Yin Kow in anticipation of the arrival of a Japanese fleet, which is expected when the river opens, probably a fortnight hence.

On account of the impossibility of defending the coast of Yin Kow until such time as a thaw permits the construction of retrenchments and forts, the Russians have prepared to retire upon the main railroad line. There are practically no defence here, and although the shifting and refitting of troops and artillery to the small forts at the mouth of the Liao river has the appearance of an intention to defend Yin Kow, the military authorities depend upon an inland engagement to put a stop to the Japanese advances.

As far as is yet known the only plans decided upon are:

First—That Gen. Kourapov's headquarters are to be at Mukden. Vice-roy Alexoff proposes to retire upon Mukden indefinitely, as that city is the centre of the Chinese administration and has a vice-royal bureau. Second—That the plain west of Tashihachio, which is almost impossible of defence, will be held, if possible, on account of the railroad connecting with Port Arthur. Third—That Ching and Liao-Chang are the extreme limits to which troops will be withdrawn on account of the exposure of the railroad at these points.

That the Japanese will arrive before a thaw permits the construction of defence is thought here to be practically certain. It would appear also that the authorities expect Port Arthur to be besieged.

Sir Robert Hart, director of the Chinese imperial maritime customs, after consulting Russian opinion in the matter, has ordered the Chinese customs light ship and the Chinese customs light ship at the river mouth as usual. This step, however, has no effect upon the neutralization of newchwang.

The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Mail telegraphs that Admiral Makarov has arrived at Port Arthur.

The Harbin correspondent of the Mail says that a detachment of Japanese cavalry, commanded by Viscount Calcester Modane, has entered Mai Fur Chan in south Manchuria, close to the Korean border.

HEAVY RAINFALL.

Many Cellars in Business Section of Toronto Flooded.

Toronto, March 3.—Damage to the extent of thousands of dollars was done in the city last night by the heavy down-pour of rain, accompanied by thunder and lightning. The gutters, already overflowing with water from the melting snow, were converted into miniature lakes and rivers, and as a result scores of houses in the downtown section had cellars flooded.

RACE RIOTS.

Two White Men Reported to Have Been Killed—Negroes Take Refuge in Woods.

Fort Smith, March 3.—It is reported here that two white men were killed and one white man and two negroes seriously wounded in a race riot at Bokale, I. T., last night. A further clash is feared. The negroes are said to have fortified themselves in the woods and are determined to resist to the uttermost all efforts to dislodge them.

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SWEET BY PRAIRIE FIRES.

Hundreds of People Are Homeless and Already Several Deaths Are Reported.

Lawton, Okla., March 3.—Reports indicate that five persons have been burned to death, and there are 1,000 square miles of territory in Iowa and Comanche counties swept by prairie fires. Hundreds of people are homeless, and it is impossible to estimate accurately the financial loss.

A. W. Crawford, Mrs. Henderson and two daughters, living near Lawton, were seriously burned, one of the daughters probably fatally.

More fatalities are expected as reports from some districts are meagre. At Holbrook, the current wind, the fire approached from the east, destroying everything. Spreading to the southwest, the fire swept 75,000 acres of government military and timber reserves and Indian reserves, destroying several Indian houses and forty head of government cattle.

In this district Dock and John Harmon, brothers, and a man named Fisher, perished. Two women also were killed. Late at night the fire began moving southward toward this city. At midnight five thousand people of the city were battling with the approaching flames. A thousand men turned their efforts to check the fire at the grass borders. Water from every source was carried and distributed along the line. This served the purpose of checking the advancing lines of fire, but was of little avail in hindering the continual rolling of frebrands into the city. In many places, the fire consumed the houses and barns. Wherever a blaze grew men were put to quench it with water. As a result of the cool judgment of the fighters, the city loss was only \$10,000.

THE MOORMONS.

President Smith Admits He Has Violated the State Laws.

Washington, March 3.—The attorneys for the United States in the Southwest investigation today said they expected to prove that the defendant is associated with a hierarchy which practices polygamy and convives at the violation of the law and that his every vote as a senator of the United States is subject to the wish and command of his associates.

President Joseph Smith confessed that he himself had continued to cohabit with his plural family since the manifesto of 1890, and that he realized that he was violating the state laws. President Smith also testified that Reel Smith had not yet been convicted of polygamy.

The confession of President Smith was the sensation of the proceedings today before the senate committee of privileges and elections. The committee said that the manifesto of 1890 left those with plural families in the unfortunate situation of being compelled to defy the law or desert their families. For himself he had preferred to "take chances with the law" rather than to disgrace himself and degrade his family by abandoning his wives and the children that he had borne him. He admitted that he had had children by all of his five wives since the manifesto, and said he had acknowledged them without interference or disturbance from the people of Utah.

The defense will take the witness stand to-morrow.

HEARING DREYFUS'S APPEAL.

Facts Upon Which Revision of Case Is Recommended.

Paris, March 3.—When the Court of Cassation met at noon today to consider the appeal of Alfred Dreyfus for a revision of his trial, M. Boyer, reporter of the court, read his report in which he presented the two new facts upon which the minister of justice, M. Valle, recommended a revision of the case. These were set forth as follows:

"One—The secret documents include a letter bearing the initials 'D'. Now, by an affidavit of October 6th, 1903, signed by M. Gréville, keeper of the archives, it appears that this document previously carried the letter 'P'. For this letter was substituted a 'D', and thus the altered document was presented to the court at Rennes.

"Two—According to the minister of justice, another letter signed 'Alex. Andrieux' which 'Alex. A.' addressed to Agent 'B', contained some words in the handwriting of the late Lieut. Colonel Henry, who committed suicide in prison, after having confessed committing a forgery in the case. The letter relates to the organization of French railroads."

M. Gréville, keeper of the archives, was asked if he was satisfied that the document was false. It was true, however, that the date of the document was March 28th, 1895, when Dreyfus was imprisoned on Devil's Island. M. Boyer made a review of the case, declaring he could find no proof to establish the existence of the document which was claimed to have been annotated by the German Emperor, and which was transmitted to one of Dreyfus's judges at Rennes. There was no doubt, he added, of the transmission of the "Alexandrine" letter with the false dates. The words in Lieut. Colonel Henry's handwriting had an unfavorable effect upon the court. M. Boyer concluded with saying that the letters used against the accused were falsified prior to the proceedings of 1899, but he added that this had not yet been judicially determined upon.

The attorney-general said that when he gave his consideration of the Dreyfus case he was satisfied that a judicial error had not been committed, but as the investigation proceeded his amazement increased. "One by one," the attorney-general continued, "all the charges vanished, leaving only accusations without importance or consistency. When I examined the secret collection of documents in the case and saw their miserable character, valuable only because of the mystery cleverly thrown about them, I concluded it was necessary to justice to have a last word, and it is my conviction that there is not one of us, if in the army, and not an officer now in the army, who could not have suspected that he had been under an accusation thus managed."

The existence of a traitor in the French war office was revealed by an alleged foreign diplomat who acted without compensation. It is now claimed that Lieut. Colonel Henry in 1897

caused a book of expenditures to be replaced in order to remove all trace of payments to this diplomat, who it has developed, was an employee of the intelligence department. It was claimed by those present in court that if the news facts are acknowledged by the tribunal, the innocence of Dreyfus would be established.

TWO MEN SHOT.

Assailant, Who Was Arrested, Has Been Inmate of Asylum.

Washington, March 3.—Robert Manning, a messenger in the war department, today was attacked by a crank in his room in the department and shot in the back. The assailant was quickly overpowered and disarmed. Manning's wound is believed to be serious.

The shooting occurred in the mail and record division of the adjutant-general's office. The name of the man, as shown by papers taken from him, was Wm. J. O'Brien, an inmate of St. Elizabeth's asylum. He entered the room, and flourishing a revolver fired at random. In addition to shooting Mr. Manning, a shot also took effect in the left arm of Arthur Wicker, a clerk. Another shot barely missed Miss Emma Sexton, also a clerk.

BRIEF TELEGRAMS.

The lower branch of the Newfoundland land colony legislature has passed unanimously the Anglo-French modus vivendi respecting the French shore fisheries for the current year.

There are fifteen dead, fifteen known to have been injured and three persons reported missing as the result of the collapse of the unfinished Darlington apartment house, New York, on Wednesday.

Imported into the hands of Lieut. Prince von Ardenne, now under sentence of death for cruelty to natives while in command of a post in German South Africa brought out remarkable instances of the Prince's liking to inflict pain. One witness said that when eight years old the young Prince was delighted to destroy the 9-5 of cats and then set dogs upon them.

Daniel Cushman, aged 32 years, a prominent and wealthy man from Columbus, Miss., was kidnapped by unknown persons on Wednesday night at Devil's River, Texas, and held captive for his health. A note in his handwriting was found pinned to the door of the railroad station, stating that he had been kidnapped by four men and would be held for a ransom of \$10,000.

John Keenan, well known in the days of the famous "Boss" board of aldermen of New York, as the "Boss" of the county Democracy, died on Thursday at his home in Hollis, N. Y. John Keenan was the head and front of the hooded conspiracy by which the board of aldermen of 1884 was drilled to give the Broadway railroad franchise to Jacob Sharp. He was the man who was the bribe fund and appropriated the money to the members of the board. He was one of the famous "hooded" colony in Canada, where he fled just before his indictment.

The London correspondent of the Echo de Paris has telegraphed an interview with a certain person in London who, although his identity is not revealed, is obviously Paul Cambon, French ambassador to Great Britain. According to the correspondent this person declared that the beginning of hostilities came as an absolute surprise to Great Britain, which has done its utmost to prevent the war. The spreading of the conflict will be avoided easily if France and Great Britain keep cool, but the greatest vigilance is necessary to frustrate the aims of the individuals who are interested in creating a quarrel between the two nations.

INTERESTING RELICS.

Some of the Treasures in the Woolwich Museum of Artillery.

In the Museum of Artillery at Woolwich, practically everything pertaining to the ancient and modern warfare of all nations, civilized and savage, has been brought together. Among the exhibits is a suit of armor, which surpasses in value anything of the sort to be seen anywhere in London. This is the armor of a knight in the days of the plate armor of the early sixteenth century; engraved, russeted and partly gilt. The suit is attributed to the famous Chevalier Bayard, and is said to have been brought from the Chateau de Germains. It is valued at \$50,000 and the contents of the armor are believed to be the French government would give \$200,000 to gain possession of it.

Another interesting exhibit which impresses the public mind is Napoleon Bonaparte's travelling oven, in which the meals of the great campaigner had been cooked on the march. The oven is a collection of cannon from various countries, some of which bear very quaint inscriptions. The following is a typical selection:

British—"Break, tear, every wall and rampart, am I called; across the mountain and valley pierces my ball, by me stricken."

German—"I am forsooth a chimney sweep, who eats my eggs and finds them sour."

French—"The spy and the final argument of Kings."

Indian—"For the vanquishment of the unbelievers who have entered certain harbors of India."

Chinese—"The martial and ever vanquishing Generalissimo."

A Norwegian chemist has discovered a new and cheap way of making alcohol from sawdust. Sawdust is treated under pressure with diluted sulphuric acid, by which the sawdust is transformed into sugar, which, by adding fermentation producers, is converted into alcohol in the old manner and then distilled. Two hundred and twenty pounds of sawdust yield 15 pounds of alcohol.

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Mrs. Haskell, Worthy Vice-Templar, Independent Order Good Templars, of Silver Lake, Mass., tells of her cure by the use of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

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"I wish every sick woman would try it and be convinced."—Mrs. J. D. HASKELL, Silver Lake, Mass. Worthy Vice-Templar, Independent Order of Good Templars. \$5000 forfeit if original of above letter proving genuineness cannot be produced.

Notice to Creditors

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF EPHRAIM CHAMPOUX, DECEASED.

Take notice that, pursuant to the order of the Honorable Mr. Justice Drake made herein the 14th day of February, 1904, John Kerwin, executor of the estate of Ephraim Champoux, deceased, late of the Hotel Metropole, in the City of Seattle, Washington, United States of America.

And take notice that all creditors of the said deceased are required to send to the undersigned, post paid, particulars of their claims duly verified.

And notice is hereby given that said administrator will, after the said date, proceed to distribute the estate among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of creditors who shall then have received notice, and that he will not be responsible for the assets, or any part thereof, so distributed to any person or persons of whose debts or claims he shall not have received notice.

Dated February 17th, 1904.
Care Eberts & Taylor, Solicitors,
30 Langley St., Victoria, B. C.

Notice to Creditors.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF SARAH HOBBS, DECEASED.

Take notice that, pursuant to the "Trusts and Executors Act," all creditors and others having claims against the estate of said deceased are required to send to the undersigned, post paid, particulars of their claims duly verified.

And further take notice that after such time as the said creditors will proceed to distribute the assets of the deceased among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of creditors who shall then have received notice, and that the said executor will not be liable for the assets, or any part thereof, so distributed to any person or persons of whose debts or claims he shall not have received by them at the time of such distribution.

And further take notice that all persons from whom monies were due to the said Sarah Hobbs on or before the 30th day of December, 1903, are required to pay the same, if not already paid, to the executor within the time specified in the order of the court.

Dated at Victoria, B. C., this 20th day of January, 1904.
DIANE L. JACKSON & HELMCKEN,
20 Bastion Street, Victoria, B. C.,
Solicitors for the Executors.

The Victoria Terminal Railway and Ferry Company

Notice is hereby given that an extraordinary general meeting of the above named Company will be held at the office of the Directors, at the Victoria Hotel, on Monday, the eleventh day of April, 1904, at 8.30 p. m., for the purpose of considering the passing of a resolution authorizing the Directors to raise such monies as is authorized by the Company's Act of Incorporation, or any law in that behalf made, for the purpose of carrying out the issue of bonds, debentures or other securities.

Dated at Vancouver, B. C., this 26th day of February, 1904.
By order,
JAMES JEFFREY, Secretary.

MISCELLANEOUS.

MONEY TO LOAN—C. H. Lagin, MacGregor Block, Broad and Yew.

UNIQUE MANICURING—Parlors for ladies and gentlemen; strictly up-to-date. No. 55 Fort street, under Hotel Royal.

PLANT EARLY CABBAGE PLANTS—50c. per 100; 80c. per 200; \$1.00 per 300; catalogue of nursery stock free. Mount Tolmie Nursery, Victoria.

WHO'S HOLLIER?—Why, the chimney sweeping man, in any weather; no mess; smoky chimneys cured. 4 Broughton street. From 5c.

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Some observations recently made in India answer partially questions often asked about the height of clouds. At Simla observatory, which stands 7,224 feet above sea level, a series of photogrammetric measurements have been made during a period of twenty months. The observations made relate to the lofty cirrus clouds, the mean height of which above Simla was found to be 30,440 feet, or nearly six miles. Of the thicker cumulus clouds the mean was 7,340 feet—over a mile and a third.

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SOCIETIES.

COURT CARIBBO, No. 73, I. O. F. meets in Calcutta Hall, first and third Tuesdays, at 8 p. m., each month. Thos. L. Messurier, Fin. Secretary, Garbally road.

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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

In the Matter of the Companies' Winding Up Act, 1868, and in the Matter of the Victoria Times Printing and Publishing Company, Limited Liability.

Take notice that on Thursday, the 3rd day of March, 1904, an application will be renewed before the Honorable Mr. Justice Irving in Chambers for an order finally winding up the Company and discharging the Liquidator, and for division of the assets of the said Company among the persons entitled thereto.

And further take notice that any person having an objection to the making of the said order is required to attend the Court House, Victoria, at the hour of 10.30 o'clock in the forenoon on the said 3rd day of March,

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WEATHER BULLETIN.

Daily Report Published by the Victoria
Meteorological Department.

Victoria, March 4-5 a. m.—Snow is falling at Barkerville and on the high levels in Oregon and Washington, but westward of the ranges the weather is unsettled and milder, and rainfall has been general, a heavy fall of 1.34 inches during the last 24 hours being reported from Baroka, Cal. In the Northwest the high barometer area has moved eastward and is now central at Port Arthur; temperatures have risen and the weather is fair to cloudy.

Forecasts.

For 24 hours ending 5 p.m. Saturday.
Victoria and vicinity—Light to moderate winds, mild, with occasional rain.
Lower Mainland—Light to moderate winds, mild, with rain.

Reports.

Victoria—Barometer, 29.95; temperature, 43°; minimum, 42°; wind, calm; rain, trace; weather, rain.
New Westminster—Barometer, 29.92; temperature, 42°; minimum, 36°; wind, calm; rain, .32; weather, rain.
Kamloops—Barometer, 29.84; temperature, 28°; minimum, 28°; wind, 4 miles S.; weather, cloudy.
Barkerville—Barometer, 29.70; temperature, 20°; minimum, 22°; wind, calm; snow, .10; weather, snow.
San Francisco—Barometer, 30.18; temperature, 50°; minimum, 30°; wind, 4 miles W.; rain, .02; weather, clear.
Edmonton—Barometer, 29.94; temperature, 21°; minimum, 21°; wind, calm; weather, fair.

PASSENGERS.

Per steamer Charming from Vancouver—J. McCall, G. Livingston and wife, J. Samson, Dr. Lucas, D. A. McMillan, W. Jones, Miss Regan, M. S. Clark, B. W. Harrison, C. Ewart, H. A. Campbell and wife, M. B. Gilmore, D. Healy, Mrs. Corson, F. E. Julian, A. Kaye, C. M. O'Brien, H. Staffan, Mrs. W. B. Wilson, J. Gordon, C. E. Healy, E. O. S. Scheldorf, S. C. Harrison, J. J. Cohen, R. Anderson, S. Harvey, W. R. Wilson, F. Lovick, Prof. Douglass Jonty, B. R. Seabrook, R. G. Miller, M. L. Martin, W. A. Beattie and wife, Miss F. Vincent.

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Per steamer City of Puebla from San Francisco—J. B. Lutz, P. J. Lutz, A. S. Heanski, J. Armstrong and wife, M. M. Sween and wife, E. E. James, D. Taylor, C. Clark and wife, B. S. Wilbur, Miss McCarish, C. Ellison, Miss D. Clark, F. Farwell.

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Per steamer Princess Beatrice from the Sound—E. B. Martin & Co., C. S. Baxter, J. H. T. & S. M. Watt & Co., J. E. Starkey, R. McGregor & Sons, Todd & Sons, S. L. & Co., R. P. Rithet & Co., Blair & Adams (Ladysmith), W. E. Morrison & Son, D. Spencer, J. C. Pacey & Co., W. S. Fraser & Sons, B. C. Saddery Co., S. L. & Co., B. & M. Co.

The London Times has a good correspondent in the Japanese capital. Capt. Brinkley has long lived in Tokyo, and as editor of the Japan Mail, the principal English newspaper in the country, which is at the same time regarded as the official organ of the Japanese government, is in constant touch with ministers and other political leaders. Capt. Brinkley is the most learned authority on Japanese porcelain and pottery, and he has just completed his monumental work on Japan. He married a Japanese lady, and his successful action in the British courts to make it legal under English law constitutes the leading case in this matter.

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DOMINION BUSINESS MEN COMMEND IDEA

"Made in Canada" Fair Promises to
Receive Support From All
Parts of Canada.

The Times received the following from Mrs. Edward Hassell, convener of the advertising committee, "Made in Canada" Fair:

Further encouragement has been received by the committee interested in promoting the "Made in Canada" Fair. Letters have been received as follows from: W. Stein, Vancouver, local secretary Canadian Manufacturers' Association; "I would take this opportunity of wishing you success in promoting the fair." The Methodist Book House, Toronto: "I need not say that I am in sympathy with the enterprise, and wish it success; and we believe that for general lines of manufactures this should prove a reliable advertisement."

"Pure Gold" Company, Toronto: "We might say that we think the idea a commendable one, and ought to benefit the manufacturer to such an extent as to make him anxious to forward the interests of the fair."

Arthur Pagnier, Quebec: "Wishing you all possible success."

Parke, Davis & Company, Walkerville: "Wishing you abundant success."

P. O. Dickinson, for H. Donkin, manufacturer's agent, Victoria: "I would say that this move strikes me favorably. Collingwood Meat Company: "We think the idea of the fair is most commendable, and we wish it every success."

Wallaceburg Sugar Company: "Trusting that you will meet with every success in your endeavor."

B. C. Brown, Manufacturing Company, Vancouver: "We beg to assure you that you have our best wishes for the success of the undertaking, and we shall be pleased to see you assist in any way to make the fair a success."

Cowan Company, Toronto: "We are firm believers in Canada, in its people, in its actual resources, in its manufacturers, and we feel confident that she will not be satisfied to take a second place in any department. As a matter of fact many articles manufactured in Canada will bear comparison with the best made anywhere; but Canadians should not rest content with anything less than the best in anything."

Chase & Sanborn: "In reply to your very interesting circular, it affords us much pleasure to say that we will gladly make a contribution to your laudable object."

Ralph Smith & Company: "We beg to say that we fully appreciate the object of such a fair."

E. W. Gillett: "We have done a great deal of advertising in Victoria during the past year, introducing one or two of the lines we manufacture, and we were struck by the fact of the large amount of English and American goods that were used by consumers in Victoria."

Ingersoll Packing Company: "We think your object is very commendable, and we will gladly make a contribution to your undertaking. This winter we had the pleasure of seeing a 'Made in Canada' Fair at Hamilton, which was a great success. The style and get-up of the booths, the display of the goods and the enthusiastic interest of those responsible for the success of the fair were very noticeable. We feel that you will have, and deserve to have, a prompt response from all manufacturers."

Wm. Tufts & Son, Vancouver: "We take this opportunity of replying to your circular, and may add that we esteem it a great privilege as well as pleasure to donate samples of our manufactured goods, and will forward same at later date."

Henson Woolen Mills, Amherst: "First of all we wish to express our appreciation, as Canadian manufacturers, of the very tangible interest which is being taken by the King's Daughters of your city in the goods made in Canada."

Tolsons, Toronto: "I am pleased to hear that you propose holding a 'Made in Canada' Fair."

Toronto Carpet Company: "The idea is excellent."

All these have supplemented their kind words by promises of contributions for the exhibition, or by taking sections for individual exhibits.

ESQUIMALT WEDDING.

Marriage of Miss Harris and Mr. Moore, of Vancouver, Took Place Last Evening.

The marriage of Miss Bertha Harris, second daughter of Mrs. Arthur Mosher, of Admiral's road, Esquimalt, and Mr. James Moore, of Vancouver, took place yesterday afternoon. The ceremony was performed in the Soldiers' and Sailors' Home by Rev. J. P. Hicks.

The bride was attired in a beautiful costume of green broadcloth, trimmed with cream chiffon, and wore a large chiffon picture hat. She carried a beautiful bouquet of white roses and carnations, the gift of the groom. The bridesmaid, Miss Beatrice Harris, wore a pretty costume of blue cloth with chiffon picture hat and carried a beautiful bouquet of pink roses and carnations. Mr. Geo. T. Ward, R. N., acted as best man. The bridesmaid was presented with a beautiful locket and chain by the groom.

A wedding supper was served at the home of the bride's parents, after which the evening was spent in dancing and various amusements. There were a large number of valuable presents received by Mr. and Mrs. Moore. Later in the evening the bride and groom left for the Sound on a honeymoon trip.

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DR. AGNEW'S CATARRHAL POWDER has proved a blessing to many a "man before the public" in cases of hoarseness, bad throat, tonsillitis and catarrh. Some of the most recent evidence of its efficacy comes from a well known actor, whose home is in New York City. He says: "I have never found anything to equal this remedy for quick relief." 50 cents. Sold by Jackson & Co. and Hall & Co.—137.

"JOAN OF ARC"

Tuneless Cantata Again Well Presented
Last Evening.

The cantata, "Joan of Arc," was repeated in the Centennial Methodist church last evening before a good sized audience. As at the previous presentation the singers, under the baton of Wm. Hicks, scored an undoubted success, earning the appreciation of all lovers of high class music who were present. The chorus consisted of seventy voices, and the soloists were: Mrs. W. Green; soprano; H. Ives, tenor; Gideon Hicks, bass; Miss E. Hicks, contralto. The piano and Jesse Longfield at the organ.

The soloists acquitted themselves in fine style despite the handicap under which Mrs. Green and Mr. Ives labored, in the shape of severe colds. They were well supported by the chorus, whose admirable work reflected great credit on the conductor. In view of the success which has attended this meritorious effort on the part of Mr. Hicks to present masterpieces of melody in a praiseworthy manner, it is not improbable that he will follow it with another, and perhaps more ambitious venture. That he would succeed there is not the slightest doubt.

LAW OF COMPENSATION.

Some Diseases Which Tend to Prolong Life.

By a curious natural law of compensation, various diseases tend to prolong life and improve the general health. Gouty and rheumatic persons, it is said, have especial cause to be thankful. Perhaps this knowledge will help them to be more cheerful than they usually are at seasons of festivity.

Gout and rheumatism are exceedingly common diseases, and, of course, in some cases prove fatal, but they confer many a blessing upon mankind; and rheumatism particularly is well known to doctors as a preventive of many other diseases. It is a notorious fact that gouty subjects generally live to a ripe age, and they generally enjoy excellent general health, the very causes of the gout keeping their blood in good condition and making it unendurable to many kinds of microbes.

Cases have occurred of whole households, excepting the member, being stricken down with infectious diseases, and the lucky exception has been a sufferer from rheumatism or gout, which alone has prevented him from contracting the diseases which have run through the house. Such sufferers do not run half the risk of catching the common life-threatening diseases, and a large proportion of the people who reach ages over four score years are people who for years have suffered from gout or rheumatism, to which fact they undoubtedly owe many of the years they have lived over the allotted term.

Half a dozen persons over the age of 70 who suffer from rheumatism or gout, and half a dozen others who suffer from neither, and you will find that, except for their rheumatism or gout, they enjoy very much better health than the non-sufferers, and live longer. More over, gout and rheumatism greatly enhance a sufferer's chances of retaining his mental faculties until the end. A large percentage of centenarians who die with all their wits about them, and with excellent memories of the days of their youth, have suffered for many years from rheumatism, and been particularly free from other diseases.

The loss of a leg or an arm is also said to do you good in the long run. It certainly seems that when a man is deprived of a leg or an arm the vitality and vigor of the lost member rejoin with vigor to increase the vitality of the remainder.

Numbers of elderly persons in more or less feeble health are kept alive by coughs, such, for instance, as bronchitis. Chronic coughs are peculiarly common to old people, and hundreds who complain of the disease caused them by such affections are really indebted to their coughs for their length of life. The reason of this is that most elderly persons suffer with weak hearts and feeble circulation of the blood, and weak hearts become weaker and weaker merely as a result of their weakness. A constant cough corrects this, keeps the heart beating more strongly than it otherwise would, and the strong heart beat keeps the blood circulating more quickly, and the vital organs are thus kept in a state of activity which could only be maintained by artificial means and for a limited time but for the troublesome cough.

POOLED THE BLOCKADERS.

Captain Archibald, of the American steamer Cherokee, is a student of marine scenic efforts, says the New York Sun. Recently his vessel played a part as blockade-runner in the Santo Domingo revolution, and the captain made use of his knowledge with all the skill of an old stage manager.

The Cherokee had freight and mail for Samana and Sanchez, but was stopped outside the ports at dusk by the Dominican gunboat El Presidente. Capt. Pazo, of the gunboat, respectfully announced a blockade, and Captain Archibald put his steamer about, and headed into the night for Porto Plata.

He did not go far, however. Remembering that the hull of a departing vessel first disappears from sight, he soon put out his lower lights, then the upper cabin lights, and then the deck lights, then slowly lowered the masthead light and "ceased" it also. The Cherokee and not gone two miles from the little gunboat, but Capt. Pazo believed he had seen her disappear over the horizon.

The blockade officer started his little gunboat also toward Porto Plata, where, at daybreak, he intended to intercept the Cherokee, close at hand, get the suddenly darkness close at hand, get under way again and sailed into Sanchez and Samana, where Capt. Archibald landed his cargo.

No comet is likely to injure the earth, even if it does strike it; for Professor Babcock has lately announced that the stars of which comets are made is several million times lighter than air.

German iron and steel manufacturers recently met, and, although no final agreement has been reached, the organization of the Steel Syndicate is now practically assured.

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This was a revelation. Then my real success began. Then I combined ingredients that would strengthen that would vitalize these nerves. That prescription I called a restorative. It is known the world over now as Dr. Shoop's Restorative. Thousands are accepting my offer, and only one in each forty writes me that my remedy failed. Just think of it. 39 out of 40 get well, and these are difficult cases, too. And the forthright has nothing to pay. That is a record I am proud of. It is so good to stay sick when a chance like this is open. If well, you should tell others who are sick of my offer. Don't let a sick friend stay sick because he knows not of my offer. Tell him. Get my book for him. Do your duty. You may be sick yourself sometime. Sick people need help. They appreciate sympathy and aid. Tell me of some sick friend. Let me cure him. Then he will show his gratitude to both of us. Your reward will be his gratitude. Send for the book now. Do not delay.

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VICTORIA THEATRE

Friday, March 4th

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(That's for Remembrance.)

Direction: George H. Brennan.
Prices, \$1.50, \$1.00, 75c, 50c; gallery, 25c. Seats on sale Wednesday at Watk's & Co.'s Music and Variety Store.
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Illustrated Song, "The Mountain's Fairest Flower."

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A few extra chairs reserved at 20c. each. Box seats, 25c.

Entire change of programme each Monday.

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Lord Brassey was summoned at Battle a few days ago for riding his bicycle without a light on his way from Battle to his home at Normansbury. His Lordship's son-in-law, Charles Egerton, was chairman of the bench, and remarked: Lord Brassey has not been convicted before? Nothing known, I presume? (Laughter.) Superintendent Plumb—No, sir. Mr. Egerton—Fine a shilling and costs. The Clerk—In default of distress, any time allowed, sir? (Laughter.)

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—Lodge No. 17, K. of P., met last night. Six applications for membership were received. One member was put through the third rank.

—Jesse A. Longfield (late with Hopkins, England), tunes, regulates and repairs pianos and organs. Twelve years' practical experience. Address 248 Cook street. Phone 711.

—The seat plan for the Victoria theatre attractions has been taken over by M. W. Waitt & Co., Government street. Seats for "Rosemary" and the wrestling match on Monday evening are on sale.

—A benefit concert for the wife and family of P. Pratt, who was injured in the Point Ellice bridge disaster, is to be given in the Victoria theatre on the 14th. The reserved seat plan is at M. W. Waitt & Co.'s.

—Andrew Becktel, of the Victoria Machinery Depot, has been called to Butte, Montana, through the death of his father in that city. He left last night. The late Mr. Becktel had upon different occasions visited in this city.

—Another of the series of dances being given in the public hall at Esquimalt, will take place on Monday evening. The dances have been most enjoyable, and preparations are made for to-night which will insure similar results.

—B. E. Maynard, of this city, has contributed a very interesting article to the Vancouver News-Advertiser, on the subject of the fullest and clearest manner, and doubtless it will be read with profit by the readers of the Vancouver daily.

—Fire, Life, Marine Accident Agency, The Liverpool and London & Globe (Fire) Insurance Company, The Travelers' Life & Accident Insurance Company, The St. Paul (Marine) Insurance Company, Lloyd's Underwriters, London; Atlantic S. S. Tickets, Office Wellington coal. Hall, Gospel & Co., 100 Government street. Telephone call No. 83.

—The funeral of J. A. White took place yesterday afternoon from the family residence, No. 5 Putnam street. There was a very large attendance of friends, the funeral being one of the largest held in this city. There was also a large number of floral designs showing that the deceased was held in the highest esteem by a wide circle of friends. Services were conducted by Rev. E. G. Miller at the residence and afterwards at the grave. The Cigar-makers' Union, No. 211, of which the deceased was a member, attended in body. The following were the pallbearers: H. Hopwood, R. Pollock, J. D. Hopwood, C. Behnen, J. Hopwood and J. Finerty.

—There was an exciting runaway from in front of the Vernon hotel this morning. The bus of the hotel was left standing in front of the building, preparatory to taking a number of passengers down to the E. & N. railway depot. Four passengers, Mrs. W. W. B. McInnes, two children and maid, had already got in and the driver had returned to the office for a few hand grips when the horses started without the slightest warning. As they moved along Douglas street Mrs. McInnes and one child jumped out and fell heavily to the ground. They were fortunately not badly hurt, and were able to walk back to the hotel. The other passengers stayed in the bus and were also uninjured. The horses ran on until they were stopped by a very narrow margin.

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—Victoria was again without an Eastern Canadian mail yesterday. The train due at Vancouver early yesterday afternoon was fifteen hours late owing to some interruption in the mountains.

—Moir's marmalade 15 cent jars and the 5 lbs. tins, jam or jelly, at 45 cents, are moving rapidly. Secure some from Erskine's grocery before they are all gone. Telephone 100, corner Johnson and Quadra.

—The Mormon church will hold their quarterly conference in the A. O. U. W. hall at 7:30 o'clock this evening. Neph Pratt, one of the most forcible expounders of the principles of the peculiar faith, will be present to address the meeting.

—There was one lone offender in the police court this morning. His name was given as Ah Yet, and he was charged with infraction of the streets-by-law, having driven over Rock Bay bridge at a pace faster than the law allows. He was fined \$5, or in default ten days.

—Arrangements are being made for a lecture to be given by Dr. Newcombe before the board of trade. The doctor has very valuable information on the manners, history and customs of the peoples of British Columbia. He is admirably qualified to give a most interesting lecture.

—The oldest, strongest, largest and best life insurance companies in the world are Mutual. There has not been a failure of such a company in the British Empire. The Mutual Life of Canada (organized in the year 1829) is the only Canadian representative of this system, and it leads all other companies in dividends to policyholders. Its policyholders—and they alone—receive all its profits. Intending insurers are invited to call and see some examples of dividends paid by The Mutual Life of Canada to policyholders residing in Victoria and British Columbia. Apply to R. L. Drury, Provincial Manager, 34 Broad street.

—It is altogether likely that Rev. W. J. Hindley, pastor of the Pilgrim church, Spokane, will succeed Rev. R. B. Blyth in the pulpit of the First Congregational church in this city. The board of managers of the church, have recommended this reverend gentleman to the mission board, which makes the appointment. No word has yet been received in this regard, but there is little doubt that the recommendation of the managers of the church will be acted upon. Rev. Mr. Hindley is a very able and popular divine. He officiated at the opening of the new office here, and at that time created a very favorable impression. Previous to occupying the pastorate of the Spokane church he resided in Vancouver.

—Last evening D. A. McMillan, champion mixed wrestler of America, returned from a trip to Vancouver. He intends training hard until Monday, when he meets Two Feathers, the Montana Indian chief. He will enter the ring in perfect condition, and is confident of his ability to prevent the Indian from obtaining three falls within the time specified. Considerable curiosity is being manifested in local sporting circles as to the identity of the Victorian who, with four falls, has accepted the challenge of "Two Feathers" for "Two Feathers." It is understood that the name will not be divulged until the evening of the contest.

—Diver McHardy yesterday made a search for three valuable shotguns lost by Messrs. Hinton, Moody and Booth near the Gorge rapids last Sunday. Although Mr. McHardy was down ten minutes or more he could find no trace of the lost firearms, which have evidently been washed aside by the rise and fall of the tide. The circumstances of the loss of these guns have already been referred to in these columns. The gentleman mentioned were returning after a day's duck hunting, and attempting to run their boat through the Gorge rapids, it was capsized. So far all attempts to recover their property have been unsuccessful.

—An event of interest will be the appearance at the Victoria theatre on Tuesday next of the popular Swedish dialect comedian and Northland singer, Ben. Hendricks, in the romantic play "Erik of Sweden," a tale of the city of New York and Lake Superior region by Sidney R. Ellis. "Erik of Sweden" is a story, heart interest interspersed with humor. It is filled with thrilling climaxes and interpreted by an exceptionally clever acting company, supporting Mr. Hendricks, who is provided in this comedy drama with a most excellent vehicle for the exploitation of his talents, these combine a grace in acting with an exquisitely beautiful singing voice. During the action of the play Mr. Hendricks will sing six new songs, giving ample opportunity for the enjoyment of his rich melodious voice, which has earned for him the title, "The Silver Voice Singer," the "Fair Land of Sweden," "That's My Friend," "Northland Lullaby," "Pass It On" and "Scandinavia," all rich gems of songs.

—Mr. Johannes Asger—Lindat and Miss St. Leslie Julius were united in holy wedlock yesterday by Rev. Wm. Heinicke at the pastor's residence.

—More than one hundred and twenty tickets have already been sold for the fine light service to be held in the Salvation Army barracks on Saturday evening.

—"Those are the finest mackerel I have seen here." This is the unsolicited statement of some who have seen the big ones at Erskine's, retailing at 25 cents each, corner Johnson and Quadra.

—House cleaning? Don't forget that we keep a very large stock of brooms, brushes, dusters, curtain stretchers, step-ladders, tubs, pails, wringers, clothes-pegs, and lines, washboards, etc. Weller Bros., Government street.

—In Chambers this morning an application was made to Mr. Justice Drake for the probating of the will of Mrs. J. G. Gallely. The application was allowed. All other applications were allowed to stand over.

—A meeting of the new management of the Protestant Orphan's Home will be held this evening at the city hall. Officers will be elected and other matters of importance considered. A full attendance is desired.

—The Crystal theatre, Dawson block, Yates street, continues to attract large audiences. The programme this week proves a very strong one, and it is sure to draw good crowds to-night and to-morrow.

—The century meeting of the British and Foreign Society will be held in the First Presbyterian church on Monday evening next, commencing at eight o'clock. Several of the local clergy and laymen will deliver addresses. Miss McCoy, Mrs. Grayson and Wm. Hicks will sing during the evening.

—T. B. Hall, provincial assessor, will hear appeals against assessment on March 10th. In addition to a list of complaints against assessments being too high, Dunsmuir & Sons claim exemption under the Railway Assessment Act for the steamers Joan and City of Nanaimo, and also for scow No. 1.

—Steps are being taken by Secretary Fisher, of the Y. M. C. A., to arrange a championship shuffle tournament among the members. Entries are being called, and as soon as a sufficient number have responded a series of games will be arranged. All interested are requested to submit their names as soon as possible.

—Howard Kyle and company will present Louis N. Parker's fine drama, "Rosemary," at the Victoria theatre this evening. This production has achieved great success in the East and in England. Such actors as John Drew and Sir Chas. Wyndham have deemed it worthy to employ as a vehicle for their talent, and it should therefore be worth the interest of Victoria playgoers.

—An error was made in yesterday's Times in reference to the announcement that Lord Dunscombe on his recent trip north on the steamer Quadra presented the crew with \$25. The matter was drawn to the attention of Capt. Hackett, master of the steamer, when reading a ridiculous letter signed "watcher" in the Colonist this morning. The facts of the presentation are that Lord Dunscombe came to Capt. Hackett on the voyage and asked the latter what form he thought a present to the seamen would be best appreciated. Capt. Hackett suggested cash, and the suggestion was immediately acted on. As to the propriety of publishing the news item referring to this incident and to the receipt of the cigars a few days ago Capt. Hackett had nothing to do. "Watchers" may know some things, but they certainly exhibit a poor conception of news and a poor appreciation of acts of men in public life, particularly in a position such as Lord Dunscombe holds.

THE FALL FAIR.

Executive Committee Will Get to Work at Once.

The executive committee of the British Columbia Agricultural Association certainly have no intention of allowing the venture to sprout under their feet, while they are instituting preparations for the next exhibition. On Monday they will begin a systematic canvass for subscriptions, and they are confident that the public will appreciate the situation thoroughly and respond liberally. This morning a Times representative interviewed Mayor Baillairge, and his words very clearly outlined the course of action it was necessary to take to insure the success of the approaching event.

"In the first place," he said, "we will have to interview the public, our patrons, at once. Our provincial government grant has been reduced from \$3,000 to \$2,000, which means that we must collect that much extra. Last year our subscriptions totaled \$1,500. This amount, and the one thousand in addition consequent on the reduction of the grant, had the four or five hundred dollars required to stand off the amount of last year's deficit, will aggregate \$3,000. We expect to get this from our citizens, and we are going to commence our canvass on Monday."

"An agricultural and industrial exhibition in Victoria is a vital necessity. The last one demonstrated clearly that by efficient management such an event can be made to pay. All those who exhibited last year described the fair as the best ever held in this province. The farmers were especially enthusiastic, while the stockmen shared their enthusiasm. They certainly have every reason to commend it, for the cattle sales at this exhibition realized twenty thousand dollars."

"Now there is another factor which enters into the situation, and one which should stimulate the citizens to especial effort. Victoria, as all are aware, is endeavoring to capture the big Dominion exhibition of 1905. Our chances, naturally, are very bright, but a great deal will depend upon the way in which we conduct our own show. If we can show that we are able to successfully manage our exhibition, we stand a good chance of receiving the Dominion government grant for the big national exhibition. I hope the citizens of Victoria will give us every encouragement."

By order of the French minister of marine, all leaves of absence of naval officers and men and those of some convalescents have been cancelled.

FALKLAND ISLAND SEALING CATCHES

SHIPMENT OF SKINS
FROM BALCOM FLEET

Victoria Owner Receives News in Cable Message—Sealers Have Left Drake's Bay.

Capt. Balcom, of this city, the owner of a fleet of six schooner pioneer hunting seals off the Falkland islands coast, has been advised in a cable message from London of the arrival there of 5,584 skins from the southern sea. The fleet had put in at a Falkland island port, shipped their skins, and have gone to sea again. Some reported accidents, and it would seem as though all would meet with good success this year, as the season now is only about half over. The schooners comprising the fleet, all of which were fitted out at Halifax, are Edith R. Balcom, the Agnes G. Donahue, the Edward Roy the Charles, the Beatrice L. Corkum, the Ola M. Balcom and the St. Clair. Capt. Balcom's advice is that whatever about the E. B. Marvin or Enterprise, from this port, which are also hunting off the Falkland islands.

As for the Canadian City of San Diego, which put into Drake's Bay on the California coast a few weeks ago, Capt. Grant, manager of the Victoria Sealing Company, has been notified that the schooners have both proceeded to sea again. Three men were shipped by each vessel to replace those who had deserted at that port.

CARGO SHIPS EN ROUTE.

There are now but two cargo ships under way from European ports for British Columbia. Of these the British barque Hongkong, 2,261 tons, is fully due. She is out 156 days from Liverpool with general cargo consigned to Evans, Coleman & Evans. She was last spoken on November 2nd in 38 N. 14 W. The British ship Celtic Monarch is 102 days out from Rotterdam. She also has general cargo consigned to Evans, Coleman & Evans. She passed Deal, December 10th; London, December 24th, and after putting into Cans and the loss of a foretopgallant mast.

FINES REDUCED.

The well-known sound steamers Garland and Prosper, of the Puget Sound Navigation Company's fleet, which were fined \$500 each recently, have been refunded all but \$5 by order of the department upon recommendation of Collector Ives. The mitigating circumstances leading to the reduction in the fines was the fact that the offence was the first charged against the vessels named. In this connection, it is believed that all the steamers which came under the ban of the law recently will be leniently dealt with in this instance.

DISCUSS RATES.

A third meeting of the Alaska Steamship Association is to be held in Seattle to-day when the matter of rates will again come up for consideration. Two meetings have been held in Vancouver this week, but nothing definite was decided on in relation to rates. The association is composed of all those companies operating steamers between British Columbia ports and Skagway and White Horse and Dawson, representatives of which were present.

CLAIM FOR DEMURRAGE.

The owners of the steamer San Mateo have filed a libel in the United States district court, San Francisco, against L. C. Sheldon. It is alleged that the latter chartered the steamer to go to Portland and return to Port Costa with a cargo of grain. He agreed to make the trip without unnecessary delay, but the libelants claim he did not live up to this part of the contract, and consequently sue for \$4,875 on account of demurrage.

EXPECTED THIS MONTH.

H. M. S. Bonaventure is expected to arrive from the south, where she recently relieved the Amphion, on the 25th of this month. The Shearwater will be looked for four days later.

MARINE NOTES.

Y. M. Dufour, the well-known shipbuilder, has joined the Vancouver Shipyard Company, Coal Harbor. A Vancouver paper says the company has recently designed and constructed the 20-ton auxiliary cruiser Chinook for Rev. H. C. Nielson, of Denman Island; also a number of racing yachts, as well as a large steam yacht for a resident of Victoria.

DRILL HALL CONCERT.

Mays and Y. M. C. A. to Play Basketball To-morrow Night.

What promises to be another interesting game of basketball will be played between the J. B. A. A. and Y. M. C. A. teams at the drill hall to-morrow evening. The team representing the Y. M. C. A., who have not been scheduled for a game since January 30th, have been practicing assiduously and are in excellent form, and an interesting game may be expected. The game will be played in the first part of the programme, and will commence at 8:30 o'clock.

The musical numbers to be rendered by the regimental band are up to the usual high standard as may be seen from the following programme:

PART I.
Overture—The Amazon Kleiser
Basketball—J. B. A. A. vs. Y. M. C. A.
Intermission—Anon Grey
Basketball—Second Half

PART II.
March—Uncle Sammy Holzman
Caprice—Innocence Rollinson
Selection from An American Millionaire
..... Kerker
Two-Step—The Lobsters Promenade, Steel
God Save the King.

On Tuesday evening next a meeting of the board of directors of the Young Men's Christian Association will be held at the rooms, Broad street. Important matters will be considered. Plans for raising \$500 to wipe out debts will be discussed. Officers for the ensuing term will also be elected, and arrangements made for improvements to the rooms. It is understood that preliminary steps will be taken to provide entertainment for the members during the summer months. A full attendance is requested.

The total power generated and used by the St. Louis exhibition will be in the neighborhood of 50,000 horse power. Over 50 per cent. of the electric energy will be in 6,000-volt, three phase, 25-cycle current. The largest unit will be an 8,000-horse power steam turbine, and the next largest a 5,000-horse power compound horizontal and vertical reciprocating steam engine. The largest steam engine in the Paris exposition of 1900 was rated at 4,000 horse power.

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What the nations are about to witness is a grand turning movement on the part of Russia against its old, dogged opponent, Britain. As an incident of this operation Japan must be crushed. They must be cleared of Russia's flank, otherwise the advance of the Czar's forces cannot be continued across China. Japan stands between Russia and the aim of which she has never lost sight—to turn the British off their position in India and to shatter the British wall that blocks the Russian path in the Persian Gulf and the Hopfornia. Lord Lansdowne, the British foreign minister, not long ago boldly announced in the House of Lords that Britain would fight any power that might presume to share the advantages of the Persian Gulf. All I have to say is that that is a question of strategy and strength rather than a question of official pronouncements.

Is the Mask Off?

Thus spoke a Russian general the other day, according to a St. Petersburg dispatch, which, however, strangely resembles a dispatch which might be composed in the seclusion of some New York newspaper office. It is not like a well known Russian general to throw aside the mask unless something is to be gained, and it is difficult to understand how Russia secures any advantage by taking the world into her confidence, and avowing intentions which she has hitherto disclaimed. Of course, everyone knows how Russia yearns to establish a foothold in India; how she longs to destroy British prestige in Persia, and how she pants to spread her influence south, through China and Thibet, to Afghanistan. But we do not know any of these things because Russia is not in the habit of blurring out admissions of this sort. They are too well disciplined. The general's remarks, whether authentic or not, are interesting. In one sense they call to mind the passive hostility which has always existed between the two countries. That Britain is suspicious of Russia and that Russia dislikes Britain is true, and has been true for a century. The possibility that these unfriendly relations, added to Britain's interest in Japan, may yet embolden the Empire, makes a retrospect of Anglo-Russian affairs peculiarly instructive.

London is Anti-Russian.

The British have always differentiated between Russia and the Russian people, and it is Russia that they distrust. For the Russians, the common people, who are little better than slaves, according to Anglo-Saxon ideas of liberty. Englishmen have always had sympathy, mingled with pity, but the Russia that has made Siberia notorious, that conquered Finland and Poland, that spreads her police spies over all the world, and that menaces India, is quite another Russia, indeed. This is the Russia that Britain is always watching. One reason why this feeling should exist more in England than in any other European country is to be found in the fact that London has always been a city of refuge for the persecuted. All sorts of agitators, Finns, Poles and Jews, congregated there; escaped nihilists make it their headquarters. In such numbers do they come that their influence is bound to be felt in London. These agitators or patriots (which ever they are) are always crying out against Russia. Many of them are able men, cultured men, and Englishmen who come in contact with them are prone to accept their interpretation of the word Russia. For fifty years or more this anti-Russian movement has been gathering strength. In itself it might never be serious, but added to real grievances it has had a powerful effect on the mind of the average Briton.

The Crimean War.

Had it not been for this sentiment, Great Britain could never have been dragged into her first and last open clash with Russia in the Crimea. This war, which did not really concern Great Britain in the first place, was chiefly of France's making. But the British minister at Constantinople, Lord Stratford, had a personal grievance against the Czar (who had refused to receive him at St. Petersburg), and his private animosity prompted him to take an anti-Russian attitude. The war grew out of a petty religious squabble between France and Russia regarding the custody of some holy places in Jerusalem. It resulted in Russia demanding that the Sultan of Turkey recognize Russia as the protector of the Greek church in Turkey. All the powers agreed to this, but Turkey, encouraged by Lord Stratford, refused. Suddenly the Porte ordered all Russians out of his dominion, and followed this edict up by attacking some Russian troops. Russia retaliated by destroying the Turkish fleet at Sinope. This engagement, which had some of the features of a massacre, so aroused British public opinion that the ministry was

forced into the arena, and Britain became the ally of France.

Trouble in Persia.

In 1856, the very year when peace was restored, the Shah of Persia, thinking Britain was sufficiently engaged in the Crimea, seized the city of Herat, on Russia's advice, thus committing an overt act of war. The expedition of Sir Jas. Outram quickly cured Persia of her love of fighting. Then for a few years no offensive move was made by Russia. But in 1870, instigated by Bismarck, she abrogated the treaty by which the Crimean war had been settled, and began fortifying the Black Sea. Britain protested, but was not willing to go to war, especially as Germany supported Russia, and France lay prostrate at the feet of her conquerors. So nothing came of the protest, and Russia carried her point.

Afghanistan Intrigue.

Not long after this, Russian intrigues at Cabul brought on the war with Afghanistan, in which Lord Roberts so distinguished himself. The Czar's policy was to establish himself in this "buffer state," and use it as a base by which he might penetrate India, and gain an outlet to the sea. In the years which have elapsed this policy has not changed. Russia, the great power, needs, above everything, southern ports, and southeastern ports. British policy has been to keep Russia isolated, to seal up the Bear in his cavern. This, too, is the principle for which her stout little ally Japan has gone to war.—Toronto Mail and Empire.

PROVINCIAL NEWS.

VANCOUVER.

In the police court on Wednesday Louis Middleton was charged with summary trial on the charge of stealing \$240 and a diamond ring from the house of Robert Mee, 626 Homer street. The boy pleaded guilty to the charge. The magistrate said that he was apparently an incorrigible thief, and thought it would be for his own good to have a fairly long term of imprisonment, so he sentenced him to five years, hard labor in the penitentiary. In passing sentence the magistrate pointed out distinctly that it was given with a view to the boy's moral betterment.

A number of applications for increases in salaries were submitted to the health committee on Wednesday. The assistant health inspector applied for an increase. He mentioned that he had been five years in the city's employ, during which period he had received only \$10 per month advance, making his present salary \$70. The health inspector also applied for an increase of \$10 per month on his present salary of \$100 per month. He mentioned that the work of his department had increased very largely during the last few years, over \$1,700 having been collected in fees during the last year. The assistant plumbing inspector had an application for increase. He mentioned that he had been less than those paid to journeymen plumbers. The cemetery caretaker requested an increase of \$10 per month in salary to place him on a level with other officials occupying similar positions. These were all referred to the salary committee.

NEW WESTMINSTER.

On Tuesday evening the congregation of St. Paul's Reformed Episcopal church bade farewell to their pastor, Rev. W. Miller Magrath. The reverend gentleman has been troubled a great deal lately with rheumatism, to such an extent, in fact, that he has been obliged to retire from the ministry. He is going to rejoin his family in the Northwest Territories. Rev. Mr. Magrath was presented with an address of regret at his departure, and a gold-headed cane, with a suitable inscription.

ASHCROFT.

After an absence of ten years from Cariboo, P. H. Peeler has returned to investigate some mining ground in the Forks of Quesnel district. From 1880 to 1893 he prospectured that part of Cariboo and now intends to examine certain places more carefully with the intention of developing them if his examinations are satisfactory.

COFFEE OF LONG AGO.

There is an old cook book, published in 1692, that gives what is perhaps the first English recipe for coffee. The recipe reads: "To make the drink that is now much used, call'd coffee. The coffee berries are to be bought at any drugist, about 7s. the pound.

"Take what quantity you please, and over a charcoal fire, in an old frying-pan, keep them always stirring until they be quite black, and when you crack one with your teeth that it is black within as it is without, yet if you exceed, then do you waste the oil, and, if less, then will it not deliver its oil; and if you continue fire till it be white, it will then make no coffee, but only give you its salt.

"Beat and force through a lawn sieve. Take clear water, and boil one-third of it away, and it is fit for use. Take one quart of this prepared water, put in it one ounce of your prepared coffee, and boil it gently one hour, and it is fit for your use; drink one-quarter of a pint as hot as you can sip it."—Birmingham Post.

The \$2,142,207 worth of platinum extracted in the Gortlagodsk district of Russia last year is practically the world's supply of that metal.

HOLLAND'S UNHAPPY QUEEN.

Queen Wilhelmina is only about 23 at the present time, little more than a girl; yet already she has lost all trace of her old gladness, all trace of her old vigor. She seems to look at life now from the standpoint of a middle-aged woman, one who is more prone to fear than to hope. The loss of her child was for her, as for all Holland, a terrible blow. Then not only has her marriage proved a failure, not only is she tied for life to a man between whom and herself there is no sympathy, but she has had to sing a Tekel over the friend in whom she placed all her trust.

It was a rude shock for her, no doubt, when she found that the Kaiser was playing fast and loose with the Bears, and had no thoughts of risking a single soldier for their sake; but it was a much sadder shock when she found that all the while he was talking to her as if his one wish on earth was to help her and serve her, he was scheming against her—scheming to rob her people of their independence, and was using her as a tool wherever it might tempt them into paths fraught with danger.

Thus she knows now that the man whom she used to look as her all-powerful protector is the enemy Holland has most to fear; and Holland is dearer to her than life. She is practically alone in the world, and can hardly be blind to the fact that she is alone because she allowed him to estrange her from England, the one power that could and would have stood by her. And her own people are beginning to look askance on her, so sorely are they disappointed that she has not yet given them more. Meanwhile there are industrial troubles in her own country, troubles of all kinds in her colonies, and the Achinese are proving themselves too strong for her soldiers.—London World.



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Notice is hereby given that, under and pursuant to the Revised Statutes of Canada, 1886, Chapter 92, and the Statutes of Canada, 52 Victoria, Chapter 13, the undersigned by petition dated this day have applied to the Governor in Council for approval of the area plan and site and the reclamation of certain foreshore and submerged lands adjoining or abutting on Lots 2, 3, 4 and 6, Block "A," Harbor Estate, Victoria, B. C. A plan of the said proposed works and a description by metes and bounds of the foreshore and submerged lands to be reclaimed has been deposited with the Minister of Public Works, and duplicates thereof have been deposited in the Land Registry Office at Victoria, B. C. Victoria, B. C., 17th February, 1904.
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SYNOPSIS OF REGULATIONS FOR DIS- POSAL OF MINERALS ON DOMINION LANDS IN MANITOBA, THE NORTH- WEST TERRITORIES AND THE YUKON TERRITORY.

Coal.—Coal lands may be purchased at \$10 per acre for soft coal and \$20 for anthracite. Not more than 320 acres can be acquired by one individual or company. Royalty at the rate of ten cents per ton of 2,000 pounds shall be collected on the gross output.

Stamps.—Persons of eighteen years and over and joint stock companies holding free-miners' certificates may obtain entry for a mining location.

A free miner's certificate is granted for one or more years, not exceeding five, upon payment in advance of \$7.50 per annum for an individual, and from \$50 to \$100 per annum for a company, according to capital. A free miner, having discovered mineral in place, may locate a claim 1,500x1,000 feet by marking out the same with two legal posts, bearing location notices, one at each end on the line of the lode or vein. The claim shall be recorded within fifteen days if located within ten miles of a mining recorder's office, one additional day allowed for every additional ten miles or fraction. The fee for recording a claim is \$5.

At least \$100 must be expended on the claim each year or paid to the mining recorder in lieu thereof. When \$500 has been expended on a claim, the holder may, upon having a survey made, and upon complying with other requirements, purchase the land at \$100 per acre.

Permission may be granted by the Minister of the Interior to locate claims containing iron, nickel, copper, in the Yukon Territory, of an area not exceeding 100 acres.

The patent for a mining location shall provide for the payment of royalty on the sales not exceeding five per cent.

Placer Mining. Manitoba and the N. W. T. excepting the Yukon Territory.—Placer mining claims generally are 100 feet square; entry fee, \$5, renewable yearly. On the North Saskatchewan River claims for placer bar or beach, the former being 100 feet long and extending between high and low water mark. The latter includes bar diggings, but extends back to the base of the hill or bank, but not exceeding 1,000 feet. Where steam power is used, claims 200 feet wide may be obtained.

Dredging in the rivers of Manitoba and the N. W. T., excepting the Yukon Territory.—A free miner may obtain only two leases of five miles each for a term of twenty years, renewable at the discretion of the Minister of the Interior.

The lessee's right is confined to the submerged bed or bars in the river below low water mark, and subject to the rights of all persons who have, or who may receive entries for bar diggings or beach claims, except on the Saskatchewan River, where the lessee may dredge to high water mark on each alternate leasehold.

The lessee shall have a dredge in operation within one season from the date of the lease for each five miles, but where a person or company has obtained more than one lease one dredge for each fifteen miles on fraction is sufficient. Rental, \$10 per annum for each mile of five miles, and \$10 per mile for each subsequent year. Royalty, at the rate of two and a half per cent, collected on the output after it exceeds \$10,000.

Leases of five miles each may be granted to a free miner for a term of twenty years, also renewable.

The lessee's right is confined to the submerged bed or bars in the river below low water mark, and subject to the rights of all persons who have, or who may receive entries for bar diggings or beach claims, except on the Saskatchewan River, where the lessee may dredge to high water mark on each alternate leasehold.

The lessee shall have one dredge in operation within two years from the date of the lease, and one dredge for each five miles within six years from such date. Rental, \$100 per mile for first year, and \$10 per mile for each subsequent year. Royalty, same as placer mining.

Placer Mining in the Yukon Territory.—Creek, gulch, river and hill claims shall not exceed 500 feet in length, measured on the base line or center line of the creek or gulch, the width being from 1,000 to 2,000 feet. All other placer claims shall be of the same size.

Claims are marked by two legal posts, one at each end, bearing notices. Entry must be obtained within ten days from the date of the claim, and the claim must be recorded within ten miles of a mining recorder's office. One extra day allowed for each additional ten miles or fraction.

The person or company making a claim must hold a free miner's certificate. The discoverer of a new mine is entitled to a claim of 1,000 feet in length, and if the party consists of two, 1,500 feet altogether, on the output of which no royalty shall be charged, the rest of the party ordinary claims only.

Entry fee, \$10. Royalty at the rate of two and one-half per cent, on the value of the gold shipped from the Yukon Territory to be paid to the Comptroller. No free miner shall receive a grant of more than one mining claim on each separate river, creek or gulch, but the same miner may hold any number of claims by purchase, and free miners may work their claims in partnership by filing notice and paying fee of \$2. A claim may be abandoned, and another obtained on the same creek, gulch or river, by giving notice and paying a fee.

Work must be done on a claim each year to the value of at least \$200.

A certificate that work has been done must be obtained each year; if the claim shall be deemed to be abandoned, and open to occupation and entry by a free miner.

The boundaries of a claim may be defined absolutely by having a survey made and publishing notices in the Yukon Official Gazette.

Hydraulic Mining, Yukon Territory.—Locations suitable for hydraulic mining, having a frontage of from one to five miles, and a depth of one mile or more, may be located for twenty years, provided the ground has been prospected by the applicant or his agent; is found to be unsuitable for placer mining; and does not include within its boundaries any mining claims already granted. A rental of \$100 for each mile of frontage, and royalty at the rate of two and one-half per cent, on the value of the gold shipped from the Territory are charged. Operations must be commenced within one year from the date of the lease, and not less than \$5,000 must be expended annually. The lease excludes all base metal, quartz, and coal, and provides for the withdrawal of unoperated land for agricultural or building purposes.

Petroleum.—All unoperated Dominion lands in Manitoba, the Northwest Territories and within the Yukon Territory are open to prospecting for petroleum, and the Minister may reserve for an individual or company having machinery on the land to be prospecting, an area of 640 acres, should the prospector discover oil in paying quantities, and satisfactorily establish such discovery, an area not exceeding 640 acres, including the oil well and such other land as may be determined, will be sold to the discoverer at the rate of \$1.00 an acre, subject to royalty at such rate as may be specified by order-in-council.

Department of the Interior, Ottawa, B. C., 1903.

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MAY POSTPONE PAYMENT.
Taxpayers It Is Believed Will Put Off
Handing them in as Long as
Possible.

Hon. R. G. Tatlow is again in supreme
control of affairs over the Bay. All the
other members of the cabinet are out of
the city. The Premier has gone to the
Mainland on departmental business. The
chief commissioner of lands and works
has gone to Chilliwack doubtless in con-
nection with the vexed question of dykes.
The attorney-general is in Victoria pour-
ing oil on the troubled waters in conse-
quence of the police commission appointed
by the government.

In connection with the seizure of logs
for stumpage dues the minister of finance
says that he disapproves of making any
distinction with respect to what is due
the government. He insists upon the
law being carried out, and will therefore
enforce the collection of all taxes of every
kind.

In this latter connection, according to
reports from various parts of the coun-
try, the government will have in the ful-
lness of time a good deal of selling to
do. It is reported that in view of the
excessive taxation in many instances that
the paying of the amount levied will be
postponed just as long as possible. The
result, many point out, will be that dur-
ing the year but a small proportion of
the taxes due will be paid. One year's
time is allowed in which to pay these,
after which they become delinquent. Six
per cent. per annum is then added to the
rates due. After three months' time no-
tice is given that at the expiration of
another three months seizure will be
made and property will be sold for the
amount due. The taxpayer is given
eighteen months before seizure can be
made. It is said that throughout the
country many who feel themselves most
severely dealt with will postpone the
evil day to the very longest limit.

F. C. Gamble, of the works depart-
ment, has returned from Nelson, where
he has been attending to departmental
business. He denies that his visit was
in connection with the erection of a
court house at that city.

The vote for that building was made
under the previous government, but noth-
ing has been done towards carrying out
the work by the present administration.
J. Houston, M. P. P. for Nelson during
the last sitting of the House, pressed for
some answer as to when this work was
to be undertaken, but was given no satis-
faction.

PERSONAL.
Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Beatty, of Montreal;
David J. Tyler and wife, of San Francisco;
and E. N. Baron, of Atlin, B. C., are in the
city. They are registered at the Vernon
hotel.
Dr. W. S. Stinson, of Crystal, North
Dakota, and Alfred P. Hays, of the Berry
Shoe Company, Seattle, are registered at
the Dominion hotel.
S. Witkowski, of San Francisco, and A. R.
Johnston, of Nanaimo, are among the
guests at the Victoria hotel.
Mr. and Mrs. Livingston, of New West-
minster, and Miller Prince and wife, of
Whitney, Ind., are at the Dominion.
S. C. Crump, of Bay City, Mich., and
Alex. Christie, of Saginaw, Mich., are stay-
ing at the Dominion hotel.
Hugh B. Gilmore, T. E. Julien and David
Hesley, of Vancouver, are at the Vernon.
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SIR JOS. TRUTCH
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PASSED AWAY IN LONDON
AFTER LONG ILLNESS
Was First Lieutenant-Governor of Brit-
ish Columbia—Was Noted Engineer
—His Career.

Sir Joseph Trutch, first Lieut.-Governor
of British Columbia, died in London to-
day after a long illness. The news of
his death was greeted with profound regret
by the pioneers of Victoria, the most of
whom were personally acquainted with the
former chief executive.
Sir Joseph William Trutch, who was a
son of the late William Trutch, solicitor
of Ashcroft, Somerset, England, and
afterwards of St. Thomas, Island of
Jamaica, where he was clerk of the
police, was born at Ashcroft, England, in
1826. He was educated at Exeter,
Devonshire, and was articled as a pupil
to Sir John Rennie, C. E. In 1855 he
married Julia Elizabeth, daughter of
Louis Hyde, of New York. In 1849 he
came to the Pacific coast, and until 1856
practised his profession as a civil en-
gineer in California and Oregon. He
was subsequently assistant engineer on
the Illinois river improvement works. In
1850 he came to British Columbia and
settled in Victoria. From that time
until 1864 he was engaged in the con-
struction of public works, and among
other well known works which he com-
pleted, was the Grand Trunk road from
Yale to Cariboo, including the Alex-
ander suspension bridge over the Fraser
river built by him on terms of a
contract. He was chief commissioner of
lands and works and subsequently sur-
veyor-general of British Columbia and
a member ex-officio of the executive and
legislative councils of the province until
the union of the colony with Canada in
1871. He was one of the delegates to
Ottawa in 1870 to arrange the terms on
which British Columbia should enter
confederation, and in the following year
he went to London to settle finally the
details of union. When this was com-
pleted he was appointed first Lieut.-
Governor on July 1st, 1876. Since that
time he has taken no active part in
politics. For the distinguished services
rendered by him he was knighted in
1887. He was agent here for the Dom-
inion government during the construction
of the C. P. R. About nine years ago
he removed to England, and since that
time has visited the coast twice. His
sister was the late Mrs. P. O'Reilly.

UNIVERSITY CLOSED.
Trouble at St. Petersburg Regarding the
Presentation of an Address
of Loyalty.

(Associated Press.)
St. Petersburg, March 4.—The offend-
ing dignity of 167 girl students, out of
1,000 who attended the university ex-
tension classes, has resulted in the in-
direct closing of the university tempo-
rarily, and the closing of the technological
institute. Over 800 of the girls joined
a few days ago in issuing an address of
loyalty. The remaining 167 young
women who had not been consulted held
a meeting before the address had been
sent, and protested because it had been
presented in the name of the entire girl
student body. The resentment grew
until they developed a proposal to send
a message of congratulation to the
Mikado. This was not done, however.
The recalcitrants secured the sympathy
of the male students. Disorder resulted,
and the university was closed.
In the men's institute the disgust of
a Jewish student was aroused, and a
fight resulted. When the students in-
terfered the whole student body turned
on them. The stewards have resigned.

FIRE INSURANCE RATES.
Advances Will Be Made in All Large
Cities—Matter Now Under
Consideration.

(Associated Press.)
New York, March 4.—Fire insurance
rates in the large cities are to be ad-
vanced, according to the Journal of
Commerce. The great losses in Bal-
timore and other cities thoroughly aroused
the underwriters in regard to the con-
flagration and danger of important
business centres throughout the country,
and a committee of 20 was appointed by
the executive committee of the national
board of fire underwriters to discuss the
whole subject of business risks.

COUNT VON WALDERSEE ILL.
(Associated Press.)
Hanover, Prussia, March 4.—The con-
dition of Field Marshal Count Von
Waldersee is causing anxiety among his
friends. He has been ill for some days
and is losing strength.

WINNIPEG CLEARINGS.
(Associated Press.)
Winnipeg, March 4.—The clearings for
the week ending March 2nd, 1904, were \$5,540,
772, for the corresponding week in 1903,
\$3,372,392; and in the same week 1902,
\$3,804,418.

W. A. SMITH.
RUSSIAN SQUADRON
MAY SOON ATTACK
JAPANESE
(Continued from page 1.)

ships were sighted on the horizon, but
soon disappeared.
The inhabitants continue to leave
Vladivostok for Nikolai, Khabarovsk or
Europe.

"IT'S AN ILL WIND."
Russians Take Advantage of Stormy
Weather to Improve Their
Defences.

Paris, March 4.—The Temps to-day
published a dispatch from St. Petersburg
which says the Russians have taken ad-
vantage of the stormy weather, which
has prevented further operations on the
part of the Japanese fleet, to improve
their defences.
The dispatch also says that the Japa-
nese fleet has been weakened by damages
sustained since February 25th to the ex-
tent of six cruisers, five torpedo boat
destroyers and one gunboat.

OFFERS ACCEPTED.
Number of Nurses Will Go From St.
Petersburg to Attend Wounded.
St. Petersburg, March 4.—Major-Gen.
Pilev, chief of the staff of Vice-roy
Alexieff, telegraphs from Port Arthur
recommending that gifts to the troops
take the shape of cigarettes, tobacco and
soap. He says warm clothing is not re-
quired. Offers of half of the number of
women attending medical lectures here
to go to the front as nurses have been
accepted.

TO GUARD PROPERTY.
United States Marines Will Protect
Premises of American Mining
Co. Near Ping Yang.

Seoul, March 4.—Sixty American
marines have been sent to guard the
premises of the American mining com-
pany, at the San 120 miles north of
Ping Yang, which were reported on Feb-
ruary 27th to have been seized by Rus-
sian soldiers.

LEADING JAPANESE PAPERS.
The standing of the three leading
Japanese journals which have been so
often quoted recently in the press is as
follows, says the London Chronicle: The
Jiji-Shimbun, which means literally
"Timely Incident Newshearing," is a
semi-official paper, and may be regarded
as the Times of Japan. The staff is
composed of well-to-do men, from whom
appointments are often made to the chief
posts in government departments. Rus-
sians are never admitted to the pages of
the Jiji-Shimbun, and it has a great re-
putation for truthfulness and sincerity.
The Nichi-Nichi-Shimbun, i.e., "Day and
Night Newshearing," or, as we should
say, "Daily Chronicle" is the organ of the
Progressive party in Japan. While the
Koku-Min Shimbun, i.e., "Country-
people's News," which has been calling
for "fearful mutters and prepared de-
fence," in its character of the nation's
journal, is regarded as a less responsible
paper, but is perhaps all the more inter-
esting for that.

LAST DUEL IN ONTARIO.
Death of Mrs. E. Wilson Revives an Inter-
esting Story.

The death in Toronto recently of Mrs.
Elizabeth Wilson, widow of the late Hon.
Mr. Justice John Wilson, of the Court of
Common Pleas, who died June 3rd, 1903,
revives an interesting story in the current
issue of The Perth Courier. Mrs. Wilson
was a sister of His Honor Judge Hughes, of
St. Thomas, who has just retired from the
bench in his 84th year.
"What is known as the Wilson-Lyon duel
was fought on the 13th of June, 1893,
known in Canadian history as 'The last
duel fought in Ontario.' The quarrel be-
tween the two young men, principals in the
tragic affair, was the outcome of rivalry
for the affections of Miss Hughes, a young
lady assistant in Miss Ackland's private
school in Perth, and the result was the
death of young Lyronby Wilson, both law
students in the town at the time. The
duel was fought one bright June afternoon
in a field on the banks of the Tay, beyond
the Scotch Kirk, where the late owner of
Mr. Archibald McLarn, and the exact
spot can yet be pointed out. Miss Hughes
was a young English lady, daughter of a
Canadian minister, brought from England
by the late Mr. Benjamin Workman, of
Montreal. Her brother, Judge Hughes, re-
cently retired, found his way to Perth,
also, and in 1891 worked for a year or so in
The Courier office, then managed by the
present ex-Sheriff Thompson. The young
lady was a most attractive person, and
some time after the duel was married to
the survivor of the two combatants, Mr.
John Wilson, who afterwards became quite
an eminent lawyer in Toronto, then a
superior court judge. He was a native of
Scotland, and came with his parents when
a child to Dalhousie, where there are still
near relatives of the family. The Scotch
line was the border line between the old
districts of Bathurst and Johnstown, and
when young Wilson was arrested for the
death of Lyon he had to be taken to Brock-
ville for trial, and underwent imprisonment
of three months in jail there for his of-
fence.

"It is said by some that at the first shots
of the two duellists the pistols were loaded
with powder alone, and there is no doubt
that when the shots proved harmless, both
men wished that to end the affair, but one
of the seconds, De Lieve, insisted on a
second trial, and this time the weapons
were loaded with ball, and when the pis-
tols were discharged young Lyon fell dy-
ing, shot through the heart. The head-
stone, on the old Englishman's burial-
ground in Perth, and there are few
people in town and vicinity but have seen
and traced out the now dim outlines of
the sad epitaph."

RUN ON POLISH BANKS.
Fear That Russian Government Would
Confiscate Savings Caused a
Panic.

A Berlin correspondent writing a few
days before the outbreak of war between
Russia and Japan, says:
"It is stated in various newspapers in
Poland that the poorer people of that
country were in a great state of alarm
lest the Russian government should con-
fiscate all their savings now lying in the
savings banks for the purpose of utilis-
ing them to defray expenses connected
with anticipated movements in the Far
East. A regular panic arose some days
ago among the people, and there was a
run upon these public institutions. It
was with difficulty that the state authori-
ties were able to counteract the sudden
unwarranted anxiety. A notice was pub-
lished declaring that the state gave a
guarantee for the safety of these sums
of money, and also that they were never
on principle used for state purposes.
Hereafter the population became some-
what reassured. The fact that such a
report could have had any effect at all
shows that there would be great diffi-
culty in Russia in the event of war to
collect the necessary funds."

A LUCKY MEMORIAL.
Committees at Work on Scheme to Com-
memorate Historical Service to
Literature.

With regard to the proposed memorial
to commemorate the services rendered to
literature and history by the late Mr.
Lecky, the Birmingham Post learns that
a London committee is being formed to
co-operate with the executive committee
in Dublin. This step, it states, is being
taken in view of the fact that Mr.
Lecky's residence in the latter period of
his life was mainly in London, and be-
cause a number of distinguished and rep-
resentative persons in Great Britain, as
well as in Ireland, have given their sup-
port to the scheme. The last chairman
of Ireland is acting as chairman of the
executive committee, and the solicitors-
general for England and Ireland, and
Prof. Dowden are amongst his colleagues.

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George de Wolf, aged 51 years.
STEELE—At Vancouver, on March 2nd, Miss
Julia Steele, aged 25 years.

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CUMMER-BOWMAN—At Vancouver, on
March 2nd, by Rev. W. E. Percott,
Freeman Baker Cummer and Miss Clara
J. Bowman.
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March 1st, by Rev. R. J. Wilson, D.
McDonald and Miss Georgia Ransom.

A tourist in Switzerland recently ascer-
tained the fact that his guide was a clergy-
man, and in conversation learned that many
Swiss clergymen add to their income in
this manner during the week. "You see,"
the guide said, "we point out the heavenly
paths on Sunday, and on week-days the
earthly ones."

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